

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice
Date	Thursday, November 17, 2011
Time	8am – 9:30 a.m.
Location	Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Bldg., Copper Room
Members Present	Gaby Anderson, Pat Berckman, Adam Cohen, Patrick Garcia, Gini Highfield, Max Jackson, Spencer Larsen, James Marchel, Judge James Michie, Van Nguyen, Rachael Skidmore, Russ Van Vleet
Members Excused	Charri Brummer, Karen Crompton, Maria Garciaz, Troy Rawlings, Shirlee Silversmith, Pam Vickrey
Members Absent	Craig Dearden, Princess Gutierrez, Kaisa Kinikini,
Staff	Reg Garff, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen Visitors: Troy Bennett, Kari Cutler, Judge Sharon McCully
Agenda Item	Welcome and Chair's Report
Notes	Adam Cohen called the meeting to order. Judge Michie made the motion to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Pat Berckman seconded the motion which passed unanimously .
Agenda Item	Committee and Other Reports
Notes	<p>Youth Committee/Do the Write Thing – Reg stated that Spencer has set the timeline for DTWT. Letters have been mailed to the teachers and principals inviting them to participate in the 2012 DTWT Challenge. Letters were also sent to alternative schools. We may want to also send letters to Charter Schools. January 19, 2012 is the deadline for essay submission. The UBJJ webpage has been updated for the 2012 Challenge and we've had several inquiries from teachers already.</p> <p>DMC Committee/ Annual Meeting Update - Pat Berckman reported that the DMC annual meeting was very eventful and interesting. Ron Gordon reviewed legislation from last year's session. For the first time, a representative from DMC will attend the Monday legislative meetings. HB 48S3, the juvenile fingerprint bill from last year passed, in spite of UBJJ's disapproval. HB497, Utah's Illegal Immigration Enforcement Act passed but is not being enforced because its constitutionality is being challenged. SB28, Alcohol or Drug Related Offense Amendments, Driver License Suspension Periods for Minors, passed.</p> <p>Cuong reviewed DMC's accomplishments for the year. Major Scott Stephenson spoke about POST training for recruits. Audrey Hickert and Erin Becker Worwood, from the University of Utah, presented an update on the progress of the DMC Assessment. At this point, Phase I of the Assessment is nearly complete, with interviews from 5 out of 8 law enforcement agencies. A list of 5 potential study areas was produced for each agency. The list was sent to the respective agencies to rank and list priorities. Those five agencies include: Salt Lake PD, West Valley PD, Unified Police Department, Orem DPS, and Ogden PD.</p> <p>Phase 2 of the Assessment is to conduct an in-depth analysis of each study chosen by the DMC Subcommittee and prioritized by each respective agency. Per majority vote, the results are as follows: 1. Unified PD - School-based Crime Analysis, 2. Salt Lake City PD- Gang-Specific Analysis, 3.Ogden PD- Central City Analysis, 4. Orem DPS- Offense Severity Analysis and 5. West Valley PD- Student/School Offenses Analysis. The guideline for chosen areas of analysis is based on what we can do (intervention) after the analysis, and availability of data from each agency.</p>
Agenda Item	Review UBJJ Program Area Priorities
Notes	The Board discussed program area priorities at our annual meeting in October. Reg presented a

	<p>new draft, based on suggestions given at that meeting. The Board discussed the priorities and suggested revisions to item four.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delinquency prevention projects for children grades K – 8. Keep priority as is. 2. Increase success of girls in the juvenile justice system through gender specific/female responsive services. Keep priority as is. 3. Reduce the disproportionate representation of minority youth at decision points within the juvenile justice system from arrest through transfer and waiver to the adult system. Keep as is. 4. Increase access to mentor programs serving youth involved in the child welfare or juvenile justice system and without significant adult support. Keep, as amended. 5. Expand drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services for youth. Keep as is. 6. Increase and improve crisis intervention and treatment needs of youth in the juvenile justice system with mental health problems or developmental disabilities. Keep as is. 7. Expand and improve sex offender services and resources within the juvenile justice system. <p>Gini Highfield made the motion to approve the program area priorities as amended. Gaby Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.</p>
Agenda Item	Juvenile Justice Specialist Report
Notes	<p>Budget Update – Congress just released their Conference Committee report. Title II funding has been reduced to \$40 million; Title V has been reduced to \$20 million and is entirely earmarked. Title V is entirely set aside for Tribal youth \$10 million, Gang Education/Prevention \$5 million and EUDL (Enforcement of Underage Drinking Laws) at \$5 million. JABG (Juvenile Accountability Block Grant) has been reduced to \$30 million. Reg's projections for next years' grant funding show a shortfall of \$83,000 to just maintain the programs and services we currently provide. We still however have some back-spending available to us (approximately \$80,000) from our 2010 and 2011 award. Reg does not anticipate cutting any programs we've funded at this point. It does not appear that we will be able to release an RFP next year to fund new projects.</p> <p>South Salt Lake K-6 Grant Change Request – Troy Bennett and Kari Cutler thanked the Board for funding they have received, which has afforded them the opportunity to help so many. Troy discussed successes achieved. They have started a new program at Roosevelt Elementary called <i>Help at Last</i>, which was recently approved by the Board. After getting in and working with the school, they have discovered there are some logistical issues with getting kids on busses and getting them home. To keep kids in the program until 6:00 p.m. would require an additional bus at a cost of \$10,000 per year. They have modified the program and budget in order to get the kids on the 5:00 p.m. bus at no additional cost. They will modify the program to include a before school component. They seek the Board's approval to these changes. Pat Berckman made the motion to approve the grant changes. Patrick Garcia seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.</p> <p>Update Site Visit Assignments – Site visit assignments are posted on the UBJJ web page now. Some travel is authorized this year, but site visits must be done before travel is approved. Rachael and Van volunteered to visit Refugee Family & Academic Support. Russ Van Vleet volunteered to visit Choices.</p> <p>Review Title II Grants – Reg noted that the handout titled <i>Utah's FFY 2011 Title II Formula Grants</i> will be posted on UBJJ's web page as soon as it is updated.</p>
Agenda Item	Youth Advocate of the Year 2011
Notes	<p>Judge Michie presented Judge Sharon McCully with the Youth Advocate of the Year award. Judge McCully has spent more than 27 years on the bench and has shaped Utah's juvenile court system. She is a long-time member of The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and served as their President in 2004 and 2005. Judge McCully's efforts on behalf of Utah's youth will truly be felt for generations.</p>
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for 8 a.m., Thursday, January 19, 2012, State Capitol Complex, Copper Room.